

Subject: Fw: Personal appeal for volunteers for historic Okinawa traditional art called Tsuna-nu-min from Ishigaki island

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Hi Everyone,
I got this today.
They need your assistance if you have time.
Info below.
Miles

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: Yuko Yamauchi <yukonia@gmail.com>

To: Yuko Yamauchi <yukonia@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2017, 2:18:25 PM PDT

Subject: Personal appeal for volunteers for historic Okinawa traditional art called Tsuna-nu-min from Ishigaki island

Dear Friends -

I apologize for this mass email! Some of you know that our organization, Okinawa Association of America (OAA), is having a first-time event called **World Uchinanchu Day this coming Thursday, October 26, at the Torrance Cultural Arts Center (Toyota Meeting Hall) at 7pm**. A group of performers from Okinawa has been dispatched and they have asked us to gather 40-50 able-bodied volunteers who would be willing to participate in a traditional art called "Tsuna-nu-min" which originates from Ishigaki Island of the Okinawa prefecture.

Unfortunately, due to the event being on a weeknight, we have had trouble gathering the numbers. This event is to be recorded and televised in Okinawa this coming weekend when the 1st Annual World Uchinanchu Day is celebrated in Okinawa on October 30 (Japan time), so we are calling on all our known contacts in the hopes of making this performance possible.

I am appealing to my contacts in my gmail address book - I know that some of you are already volunteering, performing, or have been helping getting the word out - for which we are SO grateful! I know that not all of you may be local or available, but wanted to appeal for help in spreading the word. If you feel it would be okay to forward this email to any of your contacts (who won't feel spammed....!), please do forward!

Information is below. Feel free to email reply or text/call me at (310) 483-8189. The OAA office is (310) 532-1929, if you need more information!

I apologize again for the rushed urgency (and spammy-nature), but on behalf of OAA, we appreciate any assistance anyone can provide!

Yutashiku (yoroshiku) - humbly,
Yuko Yamauchi

Dear Friends,

The Okinawa Association of America (OAA) is **urgently** looking for able-bodied volunteers who are willing to help

be part of this historic - first-time in the mainland US - event!

Flyer (JPG file) is attached with more information. It is last minute, but we want to make this happen - but we can only do it with your help! Every person counts!

Thank you for your consideration!
--Yuko

A video link of this exciting event is below:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iYFX7CQk6Aw>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The OAA and visionary producer/performer, Mr. Daiichi Hirata would like to call upon the local community to participate in a traditional art form called *Tsunanumin*.



As you can see from [this video](#), this is going to be quite an ambitious performance, and it won't be possible unless we can gather around 50 able-bodied volunteers to carry the platforms.

If we can gather 50 volunteers, we'll be part of a historic event as this will be the first time that *Tsunanumin* will be performed in California!

If you can commit to participating, please contact us ASAP:
[310-532-1929](tel:310-532-1929), oaamensore@gmail.com

IF INTERESTED:

Contact the OAA office at oaamensore@gmail.com, 310-532-1929 or Yuko Yamauchi personally.

Volunteers will be granted free admission to the World Uchinaanchu Day event (standing room only). Address is on attached JPEG flyer.

If possible, rehearsal on Wednesday, 10/25 evening at the OAA (16500 S. Western Avenue, Gardena) between 7pm-9pm. Rehearsal will be just a portion of that time. Light dinner will be provided.

On Thursday, 10/26, volunteers will be asked to be on standby during the event for warm-ups and any other preparations that the director requires. We ask people to gather by 5:00pm on Thursday. If interested, but the times are an issue, please contact us anyway! Light dinner will be provided.

— 2017 Tsunanumin VOLUNTEER FLYER.jpg —



Tsunanumin is an exciting and dynamic performance art that is linked to traditional harvest festivals in Okinawa.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Let's bring TSUNANUMIN, a traditional Ryukyuan performance art, to the World Uchinaanchu Day celebration on 10/26!

This will be the **FIRST TIME** that Tsunanumin is performed in L.A.!

BUT we need 50 able-bodied volunteers to carry the wooden platforms. Can you sign up for this historic event?

October 26, 2017 • 7 - 9PM

Torrance Cultural Arts Center

3330 Civic Center Drive, Torrance, CA

Free for OAA members, \$10 for the public

RSVP REQUIRED:

310-532-1929, oaamensore@gmail.com

— Attachments: —

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